

SD ADVISORY PANEL ON CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES MINUTES



Date: 9.20.23

Time: 1pm – 4pm

Location: Library Commons MacKay Bldg 800 Governors Drive, Pierre, SD 57501

Board Members Present

Haley Carey, LeAnne Bawek, Renee Bostick, Katie Gran, Katie Larson, Kelsey Weismantel, Michelle Martin, Stacey Meyer, Meaghan Neuberger (virtual), Darcy Peterson, Brian Poelstra

Board Members Absent

Emily Quick, Charlotte Walking Eagle, Ashley Reints, Angie Brown, Elizabeth Welfl

Call to order at 1:02pm central time:

Meaghan Neuberger, Vice Chairperson called the meeting to order.

Approval of the Agenda:

- Katie Gran moved to approve the agenda and Michelle Martin seconded
- Motion carried

Approval of January meeting minutes:

- Stacey Meyer moved to approve the minutes and Katie Gran seconded
- Motion carried

Public Comment:

- None

Agenda Item: Election of Officers

- LeAnne Bawek made a motion to nominate Meaghan Neuberger for chairperson and Darcy Peterson seconded
 - Michelle Martin motioned to close nominations and vote a unanimous ballot for Meaghan to be chairperson and Linda Turner seconded
 - Motion carried
- Meaghan Neuberger motioned to nominate LeAnne Bawek for vice chairperson and Kelsey Weismantel seconded

- Meaghan Neuberger motioned to close nominations and vote a unanimous ballot for LeAnne to be chairperson and Kelsey Weismantel seconded
- Motion carried

Agenda Item: Department of Education Updates

- Linda Turner provided an overview of the state determinations provided by the federal Office of Special Education Programs. The state has met requirements in all areas; however deducted points for Indicator 4.
- Wendy Trujillo covered:
 - An overview of the Special Education Programs staff and what their responsibilities are.
 - Review and signing of the Code of Conduct for panel members
 - Services rates for substitute teachers, childcare, and personal attendant.
 - Katie Gran motioned to set the personal attendant rate at \$14.95 an hour and Kelsey Weismantel seconded
 - Motion Carried
 - Katie Gran motioned to set substitute teacher reimbursement per district policy and Katie Larson seconded
 - Katie Gran motioned to set table the childcare rate reimbursement discussion until the next meeting when the state had additional information to provide and LeAnne Bawek seconded
 - Proposed a change to the bylaws stating that the chairperson and vice chairperson would be limited to serving in that capacity for no more than 3 years. The updated by-laws will be presented and voted on at the next meeting.

Agenda Item: Annual Business

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Agenda Item: Indicator 8 Presentation, Stacy H.

- Stacy presented Indicator 8 data and the proposed changes to the Indicator 8 survey questions
 - Discussion included removing the comment section on the survey if it is not being used
 - What does the state do with the data?

Agenda Item: Early Childhood Transition, Debra Willert

- Debra went over Indicator 6, 7, 11 and 12 to show how they impact transition for early childhood students and technical assistance the state provides to districts

Agenda Item: Vocational Rehabilitation, Katie Gran

- Katie shared transition activities they assist their clients ages 14-21 through vocational rehabilitation (VR)
 - VR has a joint contract with DOE for the transition liaison project
 - VR counselors attend IEP meetings throughout the state
 - Provide resources to students and parents

Break at 3:50pm until next day